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## House of Representatives

### *Chamber Action*

**Public Bills and Resolutions Introduced:** 28 public bills, H.R. 4911–4938; and 8 resolutions, H. Con. Res. 355; and H. Res. 715–721 were introduced. **Pages H866–68**

**Additional Cosponsors:** **Pages H868–69**

**Reports Filed:** There were no reports filed today.

**Speaker:** Read a letter from the Speaker wherein he appointed Representative Dent to act as Speaker pro tempore for today. **Page H793**

**Office of National Drug Control Policy Reauthorization Act of 2005:** The House passed H.R. 2829, to reauthorize the Office of National Drug Control Policy Act, by a yea-and-nay vote of 399 yeas to 5 nays, Roll No. 38. **Pages H802–47**

Pursuant to the rule, the amendment in the nature of a substitute recommended by the Committee on the Judiciary now printed in the bill shall be considered as an original bill for the purpose of amendment and shall be considered as read.

**Pages H811–46**

Agreed to:

Souder Manager's amendment (No. 1 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that makes technical and conforming changes to account for changes in law within the jurisdiction of those Committees that waived formal business meetings on the bill. The amendment strikes the mandatory restrictions on certification of budgets related to enforcement in certain contexts of the "Drug Free Student Loan" provision; **Pages H820–21**

Souder amendment (No. 2 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which directs the Director of ONDCP, in consultation with other federal agencies, to convene an international summit on the threat of methamphetamine and synthetic drug precursor chemicals. The Director shall do so to intensify and coordinate an effective international response along with other affected countries in order to prevent methamphetamine production and precursor diversion. The amendment provides that the Director

must carry out the amendment within 12 months from the enactment of the bill; **Pages H821–22**

Boozman amendment (No. 3 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which ensures that the effects of illicit drug abuse on children of substance abusers are considered in the annual National Drug Control Strategy. The amendment requires ONDCP to conduct a study and the President to report to Congress on drug court programs that conduct hearings in non-traditional public places, such as schools; **Pages H822–24**

Cuellar amendment (No. 5 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that directs the ONDCP to conduct a study of the incidences of kidnapped, killed, and missing Americans along the U.S.-Mexico border and report to Congress on how to prevent such crimes; **Page H827**

Filner amendment (No. 6 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that instructs the ONDCP to develop a strategy to combat border tunnels for drug trafficking and to recommend to Congress a criminal penalty for digging or using border tunnels for such acts; **Pages H827–28**

Graves amendment (No. 7 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which requires the ONDCP to submit a report to Congress explaining its participation in and support of a conference addressing harm reduction in methamphetamine abuse, not prevention. Additionally, ONDCP must explain what management and reporting systems ONDCP will change to ensure that the Administration is more supportive of efforts fighting the methamphetamine epidemic; **Pages H828–30**

Jackson-Lee of Texas amendment (No. 9 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which requires the ONDCP to perform an assessment of illicit drug and alcohol use by children, and appropriate intervention methods. The amendment requires ONDCP to report to Congress on its assessment. The amendment specifies items to assess that were not considered by the National Survey on Drug Use and Health, such as the role of Federal, state, and local criminal justice systems in providing intervention; **Pages H832–33**

Lungren, Dan, of California amendment (No. 10 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which requires the Director of ONDCP to provide for a program that advises states on establishing laws and policies to address alcohol and other drug issues, as well as drafting and revising model state drug laws. The amendment authorizes funding for each of fiscal years 2007 through 2011 for that purpose; **Pages H833–34**

Lynch amendment (No. 11 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that directs the ONDCP to request the Institute of Medicine of the National Academy of Sciences to enter into an agreement under which the Institute agrees to conduct a study on iatrogenic addiction associated with oxycodone hydrochloride controlled-release tablets and directs the ONDCP to report to Congress on the study; **Pages H834–35**

Renzi amendment (No. 14 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that directs the ONDCP to report to Congress on the representation of tribal governments in High Intensity Drug Trafficking Areas Program and in high intensity drug trafficking areas designated under that program. The report shall include a list of tribal governments represented, an explanation of the rationale for the level of representation, and recommendations by the director for the methods for increasing the number of tribal governments represented in the Program; **Pages H840–41**

Chabot amendment (No. 4 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that commissions studies on: State Drug Endangered Children programs focusing on meth and reports back to Congress within 6 months with recommendations for a National Drug Endangered Children policy; and comparing state precursor control laws and reports back to Congress within 6 months with a list of best practices with respect to such laws (by a recorded vote of 403 ayes to 2 noes, Roll No. 34); **Pages H824–27, H844**

Hooley amendment (No. 8 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which requires ONDCP to submit to Congress a comprehensive strategy that addresses the increased threat from methamphetamine and includes interdiction and precursor chemical controls, demand reduction, treatment and efforts to prevent the diversion of precursor chemicals on an international level (by a recorded vote of 403 ayes to 3 noes, Roll No. 35); and **Pages H830–31, H844–45**

Rehberg amendment (No. 13 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) that ensures that no less than 10 percent of national media campaign funds will be expended on advertisements specifically intended to reduce methamphetamine use. The amendment grants the Director the authority to award grants to private entities producing research-based public service messages, with the goal of reducing first-time meth use among young people. The amendment funds may be redirected if domestic meth lab seizures decrease by

at least 75 percent from the 2006 level (by a recorded vote of 399 ayes to 9 noes, Roll No. 37).

**Pages H837–40, H846**

Rejected:

Paul amendment (No. 12 printed in H. Rept. 109–387) which sought that the act shall not be in effect after September 30, 2011 (by a recorded vote of 85 ayes to 322 noes, Roll No. 36).

**Pages H835–37, H845–46**

H. Res. 713, the rule providing for consideration of the bill was agreed to by voice vote, after agreeing to order the previous question by a yea-and-nay vote of 223 yeas to 195 nays, Roll No. 33.

**Pages H795–H802**

**Meeting Hour:** Agreed that when the House adjourns today it adjourn to meet at 2 p.m. on Monday, March 13, and further, when the House adjourns on that day, it adjourn to meet at 12:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 14, 2006, for Morning Hour debate.

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**Providing for a recess of the House for a Joint Meeting to receive Her Excellency Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia:** Agreed that it may be in order at any time on Wednesday, March 15, 2006, for the Speaker to declare a recess, subject to the call of the chair, for the purpose of receiving in Joint Meeting Her Excellency Ellen Johnson Sirleaf, President of the Republic of Liberia.

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**Calendar Wednesday:** Agreed by unanimous consent to dispense with the Calendar Wednesday business of Wednesday, March 15, 2006.

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**Committee Election:** The House agreed to H. Res. 715, electing the following member to the following standing committee:

Committee on Agriculture: Representative Sodrel.

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**House Office Building Commission—Resignation:** Read a letter from Representative DeLay whereby he resigned from the House Office Building Commission, effective immediately.

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**House Office Building Commission—Appointment:** The Chair announced the Speaker's appointment of Representative Boehner to the House Office Building Commission.

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**Quorum Calls—Votes:** Two yea-and-nay votes and four recorded votes developed during the proceedings of today and appear on pages H802, H844, H844–45, H845, H846, and H846–47. There were no quorum calls.

**Adjournment:** The House met at 10 a.m. and adjourned at 7 p.m.

## ***Committee Meetings***

### **AGRICULTURE, RURAL DEVELOPMENT, FDA, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Agriculture, Rural Development, Food and Drug Administration, and Related Agencies held a hearing on Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the USDA: J.B. Penn, Under Secretary, Farm and Foreign Agricultural Services; A. Ellen Terpstra, Administrator, Foreign Agricultural Service; Teresa Lasseter, Administrator, Farm Service Agency; Eldon Gould, Administrator, Risk Management Agency; and Dennis Kaplan, Budget Office.

### **DEFENSE APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Defense met in executive session to hold a hearing on Army Budget and Acquisition. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of the Army: Francis J. Harvey, Secretary; and GEN Peter J. Schoomaker, USA, Chief of Staff.

### **DEPARTMENT OF HOMELAND SECURITY**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Department of Homeland Security held a hearing on United States Coast Guard. Testimony was heard from ADM Thomas H. Collins, USCG, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Department of Homeland Security.

### **LABOR, HHS, EDUCATION, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on the Department of Labor, Health and Human Services, Education, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Department of Education. Testimony was heard from Margaret Spellings, Secretary of Education.

### **ENERGY AND WATER DEVELOPMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Energy and Water Development, and Related Agencies held a hearing on DOE, Environment Management. Testimony was heard from James Rispoli, Assistant Secretary, Environmental Management, Department of Energy.

### **FOREIGN OPERATIONS, EXPORT FINANCING, AND RELATED PROGRAMS APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Foreign Operations, Export Financing, and Related Programs held a hearing on HIV/AIDS Programs. Testimony

was heard from Mark Dybul, M.D., Deputy U.S. Global AIDS Coordinator and Chief Medical Officer, Department of State.

### **INTERIOR, ENVIRONMENT, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Interior, Environment, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Forest Service. Testimony was heard from Dale Bosworth, Chief, Forest Service, USDA.

### **SCIENCE, THE DEPARTMENTS OF STATE, JUSTICE, AND COMMERCE, AND RELATED AGENCIES APPROPRIATIONS**

*Committee on Appropriations:* Subcommittee on Science, the Departments of State, Justice, and Commerce, and Related Agencies held a hearing on the Secretary of State. Testimony was heard from Condoleezza Rice, Secretary of State.

### **NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST U.S. PACIFIC COMMAND AND U.S. FORCES KOREA**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2007 National Defense Authorization Budget Request for the U.S. Pacific Command and U.S. Forces Korea. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: ADM William J. Fallon, Commander, U.S. Pacific Command; and GEN B.B. Bell, USA, Commander, United Nations Command, Combined Forces Command, U.S. Forces Korea

### **NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST MISSILE DEFENSE AGENCY AND BALLISTIC MISSILE DEFENSE PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Strategic Forces held a hearing on the Fiscal Year 2007 National Defense Authorization budget request for the Missile Defense Agency and Ballistic Missile Defense Programs. Testimony was heard from the following officials of the Department of Defense: LTG Trey Obering, USAF, Director, Missile Defense Agency; LTG Larry J. Dodgen, USA, Commander, U.S. Army Space and Missile Defense Command; David W. Duma, Operational Test and Evaluation; and Peter Flory, Assistant Secretary, International Security Affairs.

### **NATIONAL DEFENSE AUTHORIZATION BUDGET REQUEST DOD MAJOR ROTORCRAFT PROGRAMS**

*Committee on Armed Services:* Subcommittee on Tactical Air and Land Forces held a hearing on Fiscal year 2007 National Defense Authorization Act Budget Request for the Department of Defense